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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
CHENG-LE ZHAO ET AL : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION
SERIAL NO: NEW PCT APPLICATION :
(Based on PCT/EP99/01690)
FILED: HEREWITH :
FOR: DISPERSION RESINS :
CONTAINING ITACONIC ACID :
FOR IMPROVING WET :
ABRASION RESISTANCE :

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 1-8.

Please add the following claims:

--9. An emulsion paint comprising

i) a polymeric binder, which comprises at least one copolymer P of ethylenically unsaturated monomers M in the form of an aqueous polymer dispersion which has a glass transition temperature TG in the range from -10 to +50°C, and which contains in polymerized form

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